AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace paragraph [0063] with the following amended paragraph:

[0063] Continuing the advancement sequence as shown in FIG. 12E, squeezing the advancement handholds 99 and 100 of the actuation handles 95 and 96 such that they rotate towards each other biases the sheath handle 96 solidly against it's mechanical stop 101 on the shuttle 93 and rotates the core handle 95 on its pivot 97, first compressing the core rigidizing spring 102, relaxing the core linkage 1, and then disengaging the core rack 91 from the currently-fixed sheath rack 92. The core rack 91 disengages the sheath rack 92 by rotating on its pivot 103 against the force of the core rack bias spring 112. The core rack 91 is rotated away from the sheath rack 92 by the force of the core rack lifter 114, which extends from the core handle 95, acting against the rack's lift tab 116. An initial gap between the lifter 114 and lift tab 116 allows the core handle 95 to rotate enough to compress the core rigidizing spring 102 and relax the core 1 before the core rack 91 is disengaged from the sheath rack 92. The racks 91 and 92 being disengaged from each other, continued squeezing as shown in FIG. 12F translates the handles 95 and 96 closer together by advancing the housing 94 and core 1 relative to the shuttle ~~95~~ 93 and sheath 2.